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Dear Dr. Rhoads:

This is in partial response to your letter of July 19, 1977, concerning my FOIA request for records relating to Harold Weisberg's efforts to obtain the "Memorandum of Transfer."

I am in the process of obtaining an authorization and release from Mr. Weisberg and expect tofforward it to you soon.

I would like copies of the letters to which you refer, as well as those mentioned in my letter of June 16. Additionally, Mr. Weisberg informs me that his original request for the memo of transfer was contained in a letter dated Jan. 19 or 20, 1969. I would also like a copy of that letter. I would also like to know if all of Mr. Weisberg's letters would be filed in the same place and, if not, whether other files have been searched to comply with my request.

Although most of your responses ~~that~~ state that "we" do not have particular records, I note that in item No. 5 you state "The National Archives and Records Service does not have any records relating to a meeting on February 12, 1969, in the conference room of the Director of the Secret Service." May I construe this as a blanket statement that there are no such records in your dominion or control or over which you would have responsibility for releasing under the Freedom of Information Act? If not, I would appreciate a complete response.

Regarding item No. 7, you do not state whether any records exist concerning Mr. Marshall's oral request. I would think that some record of that request would have

been made. Could you tell me to whom the request was made and the date?

I would also appreciate a statement as to whether any other records relating to my request have been located. This is in addition to "related internal memorandums [sic]" which you have denied to me under 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(5). Because I will eventually appeal your determination, I would like to know how many internal memoranda are being denied to me, the date of each, and the total number of pages.

I hope you do not find my request burdensome, but I sincerely believe that the disclosures I seek are, to borrow your words, "essential in order to protect the integrity of individual research."

Sincerely,

Howard Roffman